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PRESIDENT SMYTH'S REPORT.

The preliminary annual report of 1912-1913, that the retirement of bonds for those two years was greater than ever before in the history of the

"During the last year," said Mr. Smyth, "the finances of the district have been carefully observed and have been ample for all requirements. We have received up to the present time from taxation \$4,620,171.67 and in the last three years the district has retired bonds to the amount of \$6,985,-

"Our taxes for the coming year will be about the same as those received in the past. The activities of the discrict will be greatly increased and to the end that our funds will meet the requirements, I recommend strictest economy in expenditures."

The question of caring for the peak and the trustees are urged to provide some means of taking care of this excess, either by an increase in the plants or the esablishment of an auxiliary plant for generating electric duced from 55 to 40 cents. From Chi-

tion and that discounts have been increased through a prompt payment of bills, and relations with business firms have been placed on a business basis. He declared that the earnings of the real estate and electrical departments showed a gradual increase during the

As an answer to criticisms leveled at the trustees by the press and civic bodies early last year, Mr. Smyth says that he wishes to congratulate the members and the tax-payers that the are lacking. They might go far to fears as to the future of the district in relation to the so-called temporary iamage suits are groundless.

He said the law department had been unusually successful in litigation and the decisions handed down by the Supreme Court in October reversing decisions in seven cases practically eliminated the danger of having suits for damage to crops and lands adjacent to the canal by reason of overflow brought annually. He declared the decisions practically eliminated the liability of the district and also placed a stamp of disapproval upon the castom of allowing exorbitant fees to the pigintiffs in such

SCHOOL SITE GRAFT.

The City Council Committee in charge of the school site investigation has done the right thing in adopting the following resolutions unanimously:

Whereas, Grave charges have been made regarding the waste of public funds in the purchase of school sites,

Whereas, It is the desire of the city council of the City of Chicago that an investigation be made of the charges of collusion and that excessive prices have been paid for property purchased

by the board of education, and Whereas, We are informed that the Chicago Bureau of Public Efficiency desires to make an investigation for the benefit of the citizens of Chicago; therefore, be it

Resolved. That it be the sense of the city council of the City of Chicago that the board of education grant permission to the Chicago Bureau of Public Efficiency to conduct an investigation of the matter of the purchase of property for school sites by the board of education and to give to said bureau full access to the records. books and documents of the board of education; and be it further

Resolved. That in the event the Chicago Bureau of Public Efficiency shall conduct such an investigation that it is hereby requested to report its findings and conclusions to the council.

ILLINOIS UTILITIES BOARD MUST ACT.

The new Illinois Utilities Board must reduce telephone rates in Illinois the the sudden drop in temperature has first thing or it will become very unpopular. Illinois is the greatest vic-United States. The people are tired at once for a supply of coupons."



MICHAEL J. FLYNN. Popular, Painetaking and Efficient City Treasurer.

of being overcharged by it. Long dislance service in this state is almost as bad as local service.

The Railroad Commission of California has been considering the question of long-distance telephone rates and has issued an order for reductions President Thomas A. Smyth of the which will go into effect February 14. Sanitary District of Chicago, gives It has made a change also in the mat-prominence to the fact that while no ter of time, the use being extended bonds were issued during the years of from one minute to two for the ordinary charges.

It would be impossible to make exact comparisons with the charges for long-distance service in this city without complete statistics and explanations, but taking the distances set down in railroad time tables and remembering that the use here is for three minutes instead of two the reader may perhaps figure out a comparison for himself.

The rate from San Francisco to Palo Alto, 34 miles, was 35 cents and it has been reduced to 15 cents. The rate from Chicago to Lake Forest, 28 miles, is 20 cents, but the service is longer and additional charges are 5 cents a minute,

The rate from San Francisco to San Jose, 50 miles, has been reduced goad is given considerable attention from 40 to 20 cents. The rate from Chicago to Kankakee, 54 miles, is 40 | many friends, cents. The rate from San Francisco to

Sacramento, 90 miles, has been recago to Milwaukee, 85 miles, it is 50 He points out that a great saving cents. From San Francisco to Santa masses. has been made under his administra- Cruz, 79 miles, it has been reduced from 50 cents to 30 cents.

Marysville is 142 miles from San Francisco and the rate has been reduced from 70 cents to 50 cents. The rate from Chicago to Bloomington, 139 miles, is 75 cents.

From San Francisco to Red Bluff, 225 miles, the reduction is from \$1.50 to 80 cents. The rate from Chicago to Springfield, 192 miles, is \$1.

The California figures for overtime ward equalizing apparent differences in the charges. In the Chicago cases cited after Lake Forest the rate for an additional minute is: To Kankakee, 10 cents; to Milwaukee, 15 cents; in which the district had been a party, to Bloomington, 25 cents; to Springfield, 30 cents.

The most interesting feature of the showing is undoubtedly the large percentage to be noted in the reductions ordered by the California state board. In the case of Palo Alto it is nearly 60 per cent. In the case of Vallejo, where the reduction is from 50 to 15 cents, it is 70 per cent. Upon the rates taken as a whole it is given as 31 per cent.

Chicago local rates, as everybody knows, are higher than in any other big city in the world. The service is roten and unsatisfactory and is getting worse every day.

FREE COAL FOR EVERY NEEDY FAMILY.

Free coal for every needy family. That is the gift to Chicago's destitute from the Consumers Company as announced this week by Fred W. Upham. president.

Mr. Upham calls on pastors, nurses, doctors and representatives of charitable organizations to co-operate in order to aid as many families as

"Coupons good for 50 pounds of coal will be issued said Mr. Upham, "and will be given to all doctors, nurses, ministers, priests, rabbis, women's club secretaries and charitable organization secretaries.

"These persons are to judge of the ictual necessity of the various familles and those to whom they give certificates can get a supply of fuel from any one of our 141 coal yards.

"Many families are in need of relief, and we would like to have all persons entitled to distribute the coupons to call or shone at once in order that we may get a supply into their hands in time for immediate distribution.

"Every destitute family needing coal will be supplied not only at this time, but during the remainder of the winter if necessary.. A widespread dearth of employment has thrown many breadwinners out of work and brought a great deal of distress.

"We urge those interested in the tim of the phone monopoly in the distribution of coal to call upon us



William Legner will be the next Democratic nominee for County Treasurer in the opinion of everybody.

Andrew J. Ryan would make a great member of Congress.

Judge John R. Caverly of the Municipal Court, by his broad common sense and warm-hearted methods, wins the admiration of the people every day.

Judge John E. Owens of the County | to river. Court anticipates no difficulty in being renominated and re-elected. He stands on his record.

City Treasurer Flynn has won the admitation of the public by his dignified and efficient administration of the office of Treasurer. The attempts of Appetite John and other persons to hamper Mr. Flynn have disgusted the people who believe in fair play and appreciate a good official.

Arthur Josetti is frequently mentioned for County Commissioner by his

Edward Osgood Brown, Judge of the Appellate Court, is foremost in every movement for the elevation of the downtrodden and the uplifting of the

Jadge Kickham Scanlan of the pellate Court is very popular with workingmen of Chicago as denced by the number of times that Ashland ave., south to W. 123rd, east he is chosen as an arbiter of their troubles.



WILLIAM P. SMYTH.

The many friends of the Smyth family were pained to learn of the death William Patrick Smyth treasurer the John M. Smyth company, at Tucson, Ariz., where he had been going for several years past in search of health, and where he also looked after extensive ranch properties which he had acquired. He was a son of John M. Smyth, founder of the big west-side furniture house, and Jane Hand Smyth, and was born in 1880. He had served for years as head credit man in his father's store, with which he became connected soon after completing his education at the Lewis institute and St. Ignatius college.

He is survived by two brothers Thomas M. Smyth and John M., who was with him in Arizona at the time of his death and who brought the body to Chicago; and two sisters, Mrs. Frank G. Nelson, wife of the vice president of the Merchants' Loan and Trust company, and Mrs. Edward

Patera, wife of Dr. Edward Patera. The funeral was held on Friday morning from the residence of his brother Mr. Thomas M. Smyth, 3501 West Adams Street to St. Patrick's church where High Mass was solemnized interment was in the family lot in Calvary Cemetary.



Following are the ward boundaries in Chicago:

1. Chicago river west and south to Wallace, south to W. 25th, east to sion. Princeton, south to W. 28th pl., east to S. 5th ave., south to W. 30th, east to Wentworth ave., south to W. 31st, ington blvd., west to N. Oakley blvd., east to Lake Shore right of way, south to Taylor, east to S. Hermitage north to W. 26th, east to S. Michigan ave., north to W. Van Buren, east to ave., north to E. 25th, east to Indiana ave., south to E. 26th, east to South Park ave., south to E. 31st, east to Lake Michigan, north to river.

2. Lake Michigan and 31st at. west to South Park ave., north to K. 26th, west to Indiana ave., north to E. 25th, west to S. Michigan ave., south to E. 26th, west to Lake Shore right of way, south to W. 31st, west to Wentworth ave., north to W. 30th, west to S. 5th ave., south to W. 33rd. west to Stewart ave., south to W.

north to 31st. 3 Lake Michigan and 47th, west to St. Lawrence ave., south to E. 49th, west to S. State, north to W. 43rd. west to Princeton ave., north to W. 39th, east to Cottage Grove ave., north to E. 38th, east to Lake Mich-

igan, southeast to 47th. 4. Wallace and river, west and south to W. 34th pl., east to S. Hal- west to Larrabee, north to Center, ave., north to Armitage ave.



Able, Progressive Alderman Talked of For Mayor.

sted, north to W. 34th, east to Union | west to Racine ave., south to Cly ave., south to W. 35th, east to Wallace, north to W. 33rd, east to S. 5th ave., north to W. 28th pl., west to Princeton ave., north to W. 25th, west to Wallace, north to river.

5. From intersection of river and south fork southeast along canal to W. 39th, west to S. 48th ave., south to W. 45th, east to S. Ashland ave., north to W. 43rd, east to Princeton ave., north to W. 39th, west to Stewart ave., north to W. 33rd, west to Fullerton ave., east to Lake Mich. Wallace, south to W. 35th, "est to igan. Union ave., north to W. 34th, west to S. Halsted, south to W. 34th, west to south fork of river and northwesterly ave., west to river, southeast to Cly-

6. Lake Michigan and E. 47th st west to St. Lawrence ave. south to E. 49th, west to S. State, south to E. 63rd, east to South Park ave., north to E. 60th, east to Lake Michigan, northwest to 47th.

7. Lake Michigan and E. 60th st., west to South Park ave., south to E. 63rd, west to Stewart ave., south to W. 66th, east to Harvard ave., Louth to W. 67th, east to Wentworth ave., south to W. 71st, east to S. State, south to E. 75th, east to Stony Island ave., north to E. 73rd, east to lake, northwest to E. 60th.

8. Lake Michigan and E. 73rd st., west to Stony Island ave., south through Lake Calumet to city limits, east to Indiana state line, north to lake and northwest to E. 73rd.

9. Stony Island ave. and E. 75th, west to S. State, south to W. 79th, west to Wallace, south to W. 84th, east to Stewart ave., south to W. W. 111th, west to S. Peorla, south to W. 115th, west to Vincennes ave.,

southwest to Lyon ave., east to S. to S. Halsted, south to city limits, east to Stony Island ave., projected, and north to E. 75th.

10. S. Center ave. and W. 12th, west to Loomis, north to Taylor, west to S. Wood, south to W. 16th, east to S. Ashland ave., south to river, northeast to S. Morgan, north to W. 18th, east to S. Morgan, north to W. 16th, west to S. Center ave., north to W.

S. Wood and Taylor, west to S. Oakley blvd., south to W. 12th, west to P., C., C. & St. L. R. R., south to canal, northeast to S. Ashland ave... north to W. 16th, west to S. Wood,

north to Taylor. 12. W. 12th and P., C., C. & St. L. R. R., west to S. Kedzie ave., south to W. 19th, west to S. Homan ave., north to Ogden ave., southwest to Clifton Park ave., south to W. 24th, west to S. Central Park ave., south to canal.

northeast to P., C., C. & St. 1. R. R., north to W. 12th. 13. W. Washington blvd. and N. Oakley blvd., west to N. 40th ave., south to W. 12th, east to S. Oakley blvd., north to W. Washington blvd.

14. W. Chicago ave. and N. Ashland ave., west to N. 40th ave., south to W. Washington blvd., east to N. Ashland blvd., north to W. Chicago

15. W. North ave. and N. Robey, west to N. St. Louis ave., south to W. Chicago ave., east to N. Ashland ave., north to W. Division, west to N. Robey, north to W. North ave. 16. River and Fullerton ave., west to N. Robey, south to W. Division.

east to river, northwest to Fullerton 17. River and W. Division, west to N. Ashland ave., south to W. Kinzie,

east to river, northwest to W. Divi-18. River and W. Kinzie, west to N. Ashland ave., south to W. Wash-

river, north to W. Kinzie. 19. River and W. Van Buren st. west to S. Hermitage ave., south to Taylor, east to Loomis, south to W. 12th, east to S. Halsted, north to Taylor, east to S. Desplaines, south to DeKoven, east to S. Jefferson, south

to Bunker, east to river, north to W. Van Buren. 20. River and Bunker, west to Jefferson, north to DeKoven, west to S. Desplaines, north to Taylor, west to S. Halsted, south to W. 12th, west 39th, east to Cottage Grove ave., to S. Center ave., south to W. 16th north to 38th, east to Lake Michigan, east to S. Morgan, south to W. 18th, west to S. Morgan, south to W. 18th. west to S. Morgan, south to river,

northeast to Bunker.

21. Lake Michigan and Fullerton Sedgwick, south to W. Division, east S. Austin ave., south to W. 12th, east to Orleans, south to river, east to to S. 40th ave., north to W. Chicago lake and north to Fullerton ave.

bourn pl., west to river, south and southeast to Orleans, north to W. Division, west to Sedgwick, north to

23. Cornella ave. and Lake Michigan, west to Southport ave., south to Roscoe, east to Racine ave., south to Fullerton ave., east to Sheffield ave., south to Center, east to Larrabee, south to Menomonee, east to Sedgwick, north to N. Clark, northwest

24. Roscoe and Racine aves., west to N. Western ave., south to Belmont burn pl., east to Racine ave., north to Center, east to Sheffield ave., north to Fullerton ave., west to Racine ave., north to Roscoe.

25. Lake Michigan and Rogers ave., southwest to Howard, west to Ridge road, southeast to Devon ave. east to N. Clark, southeast to Southport ave., south to Cornelia ave., east to Lake Michigan, northwest to Rogers ave.

26. Ridge road and Howard, west to N. Kedzie ave., south to Devon ave., west to north shore channel. south along channel and river to Belmont ave., east to N. Western ave., north to Roscoe, east to Southport ave., north to N. Clark, northwest to Devon, west to Ridge road, northwest to Howard.

27. North shore channel and Devon ave., west to N. 64th ave., thence along city limits as established by annexation of Norwood Park to Park Ridge blvd. on north and Highland 103rd, west to S. Halsted, south to ave. on west, east and south to Bryn Mawr ave., east to N. 60th ave., south to Irving Park blvd., west to N. 72nd ave., south to Belmont ave., east to N. 40th ave., south to Fullerton ave. east to N. Central Park ave., north to Diversey ave., east to N. Francisco, north to Belmont ave., east to river, northwest along river and chan-

nel to Devon ave. 28. River and Belmont ave., were to N. Francisco, south to Diversey ave., west to N. Sacramento ave., south to W. North ave., east to N. Robey, north to Fullerton ave., east to river, northwest to Belmont ave.

29. S. Center ave. and W. 43rd. west to S. Ashland ave., south to W. 45th, west to S. 48th ave., south to W. 69th, east to S. Robey, south to W. 71st, east to Loomis, north to W. 6th, west to S. Wood, north to W. Garfield blvd., east to Loomis, north to W. 47th, east to S. Center ave.,

north to W. 43rd. 30. S. State and W. 43rd, west to S. Center ave., south to W. 47th, west to Loomis, south to W. Garfield blvd., east to S. State, north to W. 43rd.

31. S. State and W. Garfield blvd. west to S. Wood, south to W. 66th, east to Loomis, north to W. 63rd, east to S. State, north to W. Garfield Park

32. Stewart ave. and W. 63rd, west

to Loomis, south to W. 71st, west to S. Robey, north to W. 69th, west to S. 48th ave., south to W. 87th, east to . Western ave., south to W. west to Ogden ave. (Morgan Park) south to W. 115th, east to S. Western ave., south to Lyon ave., east to Vincennes ave., northeast to Raymond, east to S. Morgan, north to W. 111th, west to S. Center ave., north to W 107th, east to S. Halsted, north to W. 103rd, east to Stewart ave., north to W. 84th, west to Wallace, north to W. 79th, east to S. State, north to W. 71st, west to Wentworth ave., north to W. 67th, west to Harvard ave. north to W. 66th, west to Stewart ave., north to W. 63rd.

33. Diversey and N. Sacramento avez, west to N. Central Park ave., south to Fullerton ave., west to N 40th ave., north to Belmont ave., west to N. 72nd ave., south to North ave., east to S. Austin ave., south to Madison, east to N. 52nd ave., north to W. Kinzle, east to N. 46th ave., north to North ave., east to N. 40th ave., north to Armitage ave., east to Sac ramento ave., north to Diversey ave. 34. S. Kedzie and W. 12th, west

to S. 46th ave., south to W. 39th, east to canal, northeast to S. Central Park ave., north to 24th, east to Clifton Park ave., north to Ogden ave., northeast to S. Homan ave., south to W. 19th, east to S. Kedzie, north to W. 12th.

35. N. Sacramento ave. and Armi-

tage ave., west to N. 40th ave., south to W. North ave., west to N. 46th ave., south to W. Kinzle, west to N. ave., west to N. Clark, southeast to 52nd ave., south to Madison, west to ave., east to St. Louis ave., north to 22. Menomonee and Sedgwick, W. North ave., east to Sacramento



TO CHRISTEN BIG BATTLESHIP



When Miss Lorena Cruce, daughter of the governor of Oklahoma, christens the new United States battleship Oklahoma next March, the most truly American warship will be launchedthe Indian of the navy.

Miss Cruce, herself part Indian, will be surrounded by the representatives of 40 tribes of red men of the forty-sixth state. And if the request of Oklahoma is complied with, and the vessel is manned largely by Oklahomans now in the navy, a strong vein of Indian blood would be found in the crew's personnel. A majority of the Indians to be pres-

ent at the launching will come from the Five Civilized Tribes, but Miss

Cruce insists that all other branches of aborigines shall have delegates at the launching. They are expected to appear in native dress, and the scene will be the most unique in the navy's history if her plans prevail. Robert L. Owen, United States senator, and his daughter will represent the Cherokee strain, and Congressman Charles D. Carter the Choctaw branch of the five civilized groups of the In-

dian Nation, whose emblems is a five-pointed star surrounding the seal of Oklahoma will be the most conspicuous design to be engraved upon the \$7,500 silver service which the state will present to the battleship.

Miss Cruce, whose mother is dead, and who is the constant companion and chum of her father, is the granddaughter of a gallant pioneer, Capt. Le Flore. Her mother was one of twins whose names were Chickle and Chockle

because of the commingling of Chickasaw and Choctaw blood.

Mrs. Cruce was Chickle Le Fore. The daughter, seventeen years old, is a graduate of the Oklahoma State Normal school, and the Ardmore high school. She is a student of languages in the University of Oklahoma and a leader of society in the circles of her age in the capital. She has traveled extensively and, though a girl in years and appearance, she is a woman in intellect and accomplishments.

BURDEN OF BEING A HERO

Raouf Hussein Bey, captain of the glorious "Hamidie," is advertising for some one who will take off his shoulders the burden of being a hero. A year's experience has proved that being a hero is tiresome. Raouf can tolerate his popularity, the display of his photographs, the flicker of his moving picture face and his prospects of becoming admiral and marine minister. But against this stands the fact that when you become a hero in Turkey influential people insist on marrying you to a princess. Raouf resents this. Though a Turk, he is more European than Europe itself, and he much prefers the European system under which pretty girls who want to marry heroes send along their photographs. In Turkey they do not get their photographs taken. The sultan merely commands the hero to marry a princess of the ancient, mighty and terrible House of Othman, without even knowing what she's like.



Captain Raouf Hussein is a dark-eyed, thick-nosed, handsome, well-set-up Turk forty years old. He served in the British navy, speaks perfect English, has tasted whisky and soda, and in every other respect is a civilized man. It was Raouf who went to Germany to buy the battleships Weissenburg and Kurfurst Friedrich Wilhelm, which, renamed Messudie and Barbarossa Hajredden, did Turkey such signal service in the war. Raouf is brave. He chafed fiercely against the marine minister for not letting him go out and fight the Greek midgets, and when he did get cut he did some damage and apread as much panic as did Cervera while his whereabout were So Raouf became a hero, and a hero he remains,

But heroes must have imperial wives. Just as Enver Bey was rewarded for his heroism with a princess of the House of Othman (whom, despite reports, he has not yet got), so Raouf must be rewarded. That is the House of Othman system. The princess cannot intermarry with Christian dynasties, and as there are no Moslem dynasties worth mentioning, they must marry

LAMARS MOVE TO CAPITAL



Lamar is a familiar name in the social annals of the national capital. and, glancing through its written pages, it seems a rare occurrence when a representative of the family has not figured. Certainly not for the past 20 or 30 years. Judge William Bailey Lamar and his attractive young wife are welcome additions to the circle composed of former officials for whom the lure of the city is irresistible. They were here for six years. beginning with the Fifty-eighth congress, when the judge, then serving as attorney general of his state, was sent to the lower house. After serving in the Sixtieth congress, Judge Lamar became affiliated with large legal interests in Atlanta, Ga., and resided there until two years ago, when he and Mrs. Lamar returned to Washington, which will hereafter be their winter home.

leisure to cultivate," said Mrs. Lamar. "One of my delights relates to all

"Fads are something I never had

hat pertains to a home. We recently erected near Atlanta, Ga., a home the thought of which will always give my heart a pang, for it seems now that it will never be our joy to live there. There are 135 acres, many of them in that wonderful woodland for which Georgia is so famous, great sturdy oaks, tall, vigorous pines with great clumps of wild azaleas making natural banks.

GENEVIEVE CLARK, CAPITAL DEBUTANTE

Quite in keeping with the quaint flounces and furbelows, the "garden slippers," the girlish bonnets and the nosegays of simple blossoms which it is the fashion of the moment for the debutante in the national capital to carry are the old-fashioned hours which they are keeping this season. Speaker Clark's daughter, Genevieve. was among the most prominent of this season's "buds."

When once an invitation to a debutante's dance bore the legend "ten" or 'half-past ten o'clock," today the cards read "nine o'clock," which means that supper will be served at midnight and that by two o'clock the debutante's first dance will be a happy memory.

The reform has come without any effort. Something more subtle than preaching early hours is at work in changing a mode which in the last ten years had become a custom so rigidly observed that no one person or set of persons, however influential, could uproot it. Another feature of the season is the absence of such purely

feminine functions as the erstwhile popular debutante luncheon Nowadays teas and dancing are favored. Formerly a constant round of luncheons, given that the girls might become acquainted, leading up to a series of late dinners and balls, proved too much even for youthful endurance,

and many a girl found herself at the door of a sanitarium at the end of her